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Land & Water Resources Committee August 12th, 2021 – 8:15 am Courthouse, Mauston WI

PRESENT: Rodney Seamans, Chair, Joe Lally, Scott Wilhorn, Chris Zindorf, Jim Raese (FSA Rep.), Lindsi Hagen (NRCS)

- 1. Meeting called to order by chair, Rodney Seamans, at 8:16 am
- 2. MINUTES

Motion by Wilhorn seconded by Lally to approve the minutes of July 12th, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

- 3. NRCS Lindsi Hagen
 - Update given on the new CRP signup and ongoing grazing projects in Juneau County
- 4. FSA Jim Raese
 - Due to the COVID-19, we continue to have our door locked. We will continue to obtain paperwork and forms via mail, email, fax or a drop box outside the office door
 - The Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 re-opened on Monday, April 5. If the producer had eligible livestock (cattle in inventory on their respective CFAP 1 application) and/or eligible commodity acres (2020 reported acres listed on the CFAP2 application), the producer should have received "top-up" payments via direct deposit from the Juneau County FSA office. If there are producers that did not apply during the CFAP2 sign up period, they can call the FSA office and discuss with the staff how to get signed up
 - There is a COVID-19 relief program available to timber harvesters and haulers. Timber brokers are
 not eligible to apply. If there are any interested producers, they can call the FSA office to review
 program eligibility and what the application requirements entail
 - Maddie Schmidt has left the agency in order to dairy full time. The vacancy will most likely be empty for some time
- 5. VOUCHERS Dustin Ladd
 - Discussion of July vouchers, invoices for Clean Sweep, and the cost for a producer-led field day.
- 6. CLEAN SWEEP Sarah Fleck
 - Overview given on the 2021 Clean Sweep held July 31st. Discussion of how the next Clean Sweep event can be improved
- 7. PRODUCER LED UPDATE-Dustin Ladd

- Update given on the Lemonweir River watershed kickoff meeting held 8/10/21
- The Producers of the Lake Redstone Field Day is planned for Sept. 14th from 4pm-8pm

8. ARPA UPDATE-Dustin Ladd

 ARPA meeting was held 8/9/21, Land & Water submitted joint request with Health Dept. and Forestry. Funding was requested for watershed planning, water testing, conservation projects, environmental cleanup

9. LAKE REDSTONE USGS - Dustin Ladd

- The Lake Redstone Protection District met with Sauk County and agreed to fund stream gauging in the Lake Redstone Watershed for an additional year. This will be the final year of data collection
- Discussion on whether Juneau Co. would continue to contribute MDV funds to the project
- It was decided to include stream gauging on the 2022 Land & Water Budget

10. TRAINING – Sarah Fleck

• Update given on drone training

11. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE-Brian Goepfert

- The Elroy Streambank project has a possible start date of 8/16/21 as long as the water level does not rise. Discussion of final bid for project.
- The Bells Udder project in Hustler has been given a possible start date at the beginning of September
- Brain Goepfert is offering technical assistance for a streambank project on the Lemonweir River

12. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS-Committee

- Discussion of annual Land & Water report to the County Board. Annual report will be given Sept. or Oct.
- Land & Water committee will be taken on a tour around the county to view conservation project completed in the last year

13. SET NEXT MEETING DATE-Committee

Next meeting set September 9th, 2021 at Time 9:15am Location: Courthouse There will be a brief meeting followed by a tour of the Land & Water Dept. conservation projects completed over the last year

14. ADJOURN-Committee

Meeting adjourned – Motion by Zindorf seconded by Seamans to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 a.m. Motion carried.